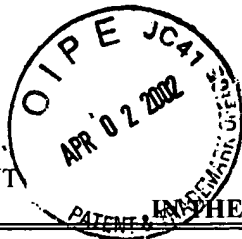


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In the Specification

Please amend the paragraph at page 15, line 10:

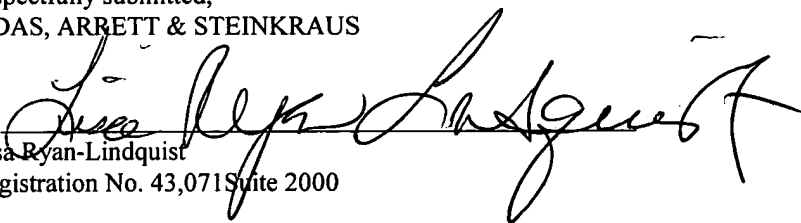
B/ In addition, the magnetizing step may be carried out while the thermoplastic binder is at an elevated temperature. This results in an alignment of the magnetic particles with a significant increase in the magnetic strength of the article as compared to the same article magnetized at ambient temperature. See Sawa 4022701 and Ito 6190573.

REMARKS

Please note this corrects a typographical error. A marked up version of the specification is also attached. No new matter has been added.

Respectfully submitted,
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